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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claim 4 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please add the following new claims 6-15 as follows:

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CS -- 6. An isolated epitope polypeptide consisting of an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID

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-- 7. A tagged protein comprising an isolated epitope polypeptide according to claim 6.

-- 8. The tagged protein of claim 7, wherein said tagged protein is recombinantly produced.--

-- 9. The tagged protein of claim 8, wherein said tagged protein is produced by fusing said isolated epitope polypeptide to a protein. --

-- 10. The tagged protein of claim 9, wherein said protein is a chloride channel protein.

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-- 11. The tagged protein of claim 10, wherein said protein is NCC27/CLIC1. --

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